

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (previously presented) A data conversion method, comprising:  
    converting data transfer based on data packets into data transfer which is synchronized in timeslots;  
    storing the data packets in a conversion buffer memory; and  
    discarding a data packet at the end of a time interval  $T_x$  if a number of the data packets in the conversion buffer memory does not fall below a threshold value  $t > 0$  during the time interval  $T_x$ .
2. (canceled)
3. (previously presented) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein when a quantity of data packets  $t=1$ , the data packet is discarded if at least one data packet is present in the conversion buffer memory during the time interval  $T_x$ .
4. (previously presented) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the threshold value  $t$  is made greater than or equal to two if two consecutive data packets arrive which belong together and/or one data packet is useless without the other.
5. (previously presented) The method in accordance with claim 4, wherein the two data packets are discarded if the number of data packets in the conversion buffer memory does not falls below the threshold value  $t$  which is greater than or equal to two during the time interval  $T_x$ .
6. (previously presented) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the data transfer based on data packets is effected according to a Asynchronous Transfer Mode Adaptation Layer Type 2 standard.

7. (previously presented) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the transfer which is synchronized in the timeslots is effected according to a timeslot multiplexing method.

8. (previously presented) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the data involves voice data.

9. (previously presented) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the data packets involve Common Part Sub-Layer packets.

10. (previously presented) A data conversion system for converting data transfer based on data packets into data transfer which is synchronized in timeslots, comprising:

a conversion device; and

a conversion buffer memory for storing data packets for discarding a data packet at an end of a time interval  $T_x$  when a number of the data packets in the conversion buffer memory not falling below a threshold value  $t > 0$  during the time interval  $T_x$ .

11. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the system displays a control device for controlling the discarding of a data packet.

12. (canceled)

13. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the discarding of the data packet when a quantity of the data packets  $t=1$ , if at least one data packet is present in the conversion buffer memory during the time interval  $T_x$ .

14. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the threshold value  $t$  is greater than or equal to two if two consecutive data packets arrive which belong together and/or one data packet is useless without the other.

15. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 14, wherein the discarding of two data packets if a number of data packets in the conversion buffer memory does not fall below the threshold value  $t$  which is greater than or equal to two during the time interval  $T_x$ .

16. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the data transfer based on packets is effected according to an Asynchronous Transfer Mode Adaptation Layer Type 2 standard.

17. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the transfer which is synchronized in timeslots is effected according to a timeslot multiplexing method.

18. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the data involves voice data.

19. (previously presented) The system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the data packets involve Common Part Sub-Layer packets.